

### REMARKS

Claims 1-28 are currently pending in this application.

The Examiner requires election of one of two groups for prosecution of this application. Group I includes claims 1-14, 16, 17, 19-21 and 24-26 drawn to a method of making an ALVAC virus, classified in class 435, subclass 235.1. Group II includes claims 15, 18, 22, 23, 27 and 28, drawn to an ALVAC virus, classified in class 424, subclass 232.1. Applicants hereby elect Group II with traverse in that the two groups are related as related being a method of making a product and the product so made. As such, Applicants do not believe an undue burden is placed on the Examiner by examining both Groups simultaneously. Applicants further reserve the right to prosecute the claims of Group II and any other subject matter disclosed in this application but not yet claimed, in a continuation / divisional application.

### CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of this reply. The Applicants urge the Examiner to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes that this would expedite prosecution of this application.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested and a favorable determination is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,



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